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קולות ח.ק. עדת ישראל



**Middletown, Connecticut**  
**March 2022 AdarI-AdarII 5782**



### **THE SIMPLE JEW**

Dear friends,

Once a simple Jew, travelling, arrived at a town at sunset. He searched for an inn, and could only find one after the night had already fallen by many hours. He banged on the door and after some time, an old innkeeper opened the door and apologized that there was no room because a group of soldiers was already staying there. The simple Jew pleaded with the innkeeper so much that the innkeeper admitted that there was one bed left, but it was in the room of the General who was already asleep. The only way that the innkeeper would allow the Jew to stay the night was if the

### **HOW DO WE TALK ABOUT PURIM?**

As a teacher, I would like to imagine that all my students are getting along all the time. We have a joke in the 4th grade that we have kids up until winter break, and then after the New Year, they are fully ready for middle school. The sassy comebacks spike, the verbal squabbles become saturated with heavier insults, and physical tirades rise as the temperatures, outside and inside the building, rise. It's an emotional battlefield. But unlike a Pat Benatar music video from 1983 decked in awesome eye shadow and beautiful headbands, it gets nasty.



### **WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!**

If you or anyone you know is ill or in need of support, please let our Bikur Cholim (Compassionate Care) Committee know!

Contact Michelle Grossman  
at [rickandmichelle360@gmail.com](mailto:rickandmichelle360@gmail.com)  
or the rabbi (203) 543-7454  
or Joanna at the office.

The common insult for a boy: "You're dumb."  
The common insult for a girl: "You're ugly."

Both hurt. Both sting. Both create tears. And we can all relate, because we've all been those kids, on either side of the hurtful words.

But let me tell you, as a woman, we all have a secret bank. It's the Beauty Bank. We get deposits and debits, from the moment we are born to the moment we are no longer seen as a sexual object within our respective society. We grow up in a world where our relatives more often comment on our hair,

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# EARLY RISERS MINYAN

Wednesday, March 2  
7:00am



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innkeeper could wake him at 4:30 a.m., because he had already been asked to wake the General at 5:10 a.m. If the Jew would hurry early in the morning and leave, the innkeeper reasoned, the General would not suspect a thing and all would be well. The simple Jew readily agreed to the deal and quietly went to bed. At 4:30 a.m., the innkeeper woke the simple Jew, who rushed to get dressed and leave the inn before the General would wake up. The simple Jew thanked the innkeeper profusely and rushed to the train station. As he stood next to the train, he saw his reflection in an window – he was dressed in full army uniform! “Foolish old innkeeper” he said to himself, “he woke up the General instead of me!”

All too often, we meet people and already decide how we’ll judge them. A superficial look is all that it takes – and we immediately decide that we know everything there is to know about the person, and what are the limits of our relationship to them. One of the aspects of Purim is to awaken us to that tendency, and make us aware of how much we do it.

One of the mitzvot of Purim is Mishloach Manot, sending gifts of food [1]. The goal of this mitzvah is to increase friendship and foster a sense of community, reminding friends that we care. I want here to express our collective gratitude to Sandra Beckman, who has taken this mitzvah incredibly seriously this year.

But in order to increase the feelings of belonging, friendship and community, we need to see the real person in front of us, not just the image in front of our eyes. To embrace the fact that all of us are nowhere perfect, but all of us are somehow lovable and beautiful. This is the reason why we wear masks and costumes on Purim – so that we are stopped in our tracks as we make superficial judgments: when someone is wearing a mask or a costume, we know that they are dressed up. We know that it is not the real ‘them’, and we know that the real ‘them’ is behind the mask or the costume, and so we are forced to stop judging a book by its cover.

This is the message of the Purim: To remind us that the people are unique, deep, interesting and complicated and that genuine friendship cannot be based on externalities. Community and belonging depend on accepting and embracing the complex reality of human beings. All too often what we see is the real ‘them’. Purim is all about making friends with the real ‘them’ – that which lies behind the mask!

May we seize this Purim holiday to remember that we owe to ourselves and one another to seek the

presence of God in every person we meet, beyond and above the externalities.

Warmly,

Rabbi Nelly

[1] Bonus points if you can name the other three mitzvot! Hint: they all begin, in Hebrew, with the letter mem.

## Bar Mitzvah Invitation

It is with great pride & joy that we invite you to share with us a special moment as our son,

**Ethan Joseph**

is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah

**Saturday, March 26, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.**

Kiddush Immediately following services

**Melissa & Tod Olczak**

Please join us in person if you are fully vaccinated and virtually if you are not.

Please RSVP to

ethansbarmitzvah0322@gmail.com

by March 15, 2022

If attending virtually, please use the regular Shabbat Zoom link.

## **ADATH ISRAEL** **EMERGENCY CANCELLATION &** **CLOSING PROCEDURES**

**RELIGIOUS SCHOOL:**  
**THE PRINCIPAL WILL CONTACT**  
**STAFF & STUDENTS' FAMILIES**  
**DIRECTLY.**

**ALL OTHER:**  
**CHECK TV CHANNEL WFSB**  
**(EYEWITNESS 3) OR**  
**WWW.WFSB.COM.**



Adath Israel

# PRAY EAT SING

***Friday, March 4, 6 p.m.***

**RSVP deadline: February 28. Free for Adath Israel Members**

*Not a member yet?*

Be our guest for your first visit:  
Returning guests \$10 per person  
Children 12 & Under are free



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eyes, skin, and how we are developing into fine young women. But we're not asked what our favorite subject in school is, we're asked who our latest crush is. We're not complimented on how we build sandcastles, but on how pretty the color of our bathing suit is. We're told we're funny at being flirty even before it's appropriate to flirt, through our media influences and infantilizing culture that drips into backyard barbecues and cocktail parties.

For a long time, we grow up in a world where we feel like we are the prettiest princess living there, until we are around our peers, or open a magazine, turn on MTV, or when Britney Spears announced to "hit her one more time" in 1999...I was twelve. And then we realize, through a series of our bank withdrawals, whether self-inflicted, whispered or shouted in hallways, that we are just an object that has to get molded to the desires of others, both men and women alike.

When I look at the Purim story, I cringe, I get uncomfortable, I question how to talk about this story with my niece, and my nephews in the future. Because it's such a grotesque picture of human depravity. "But wait... Carly...there are stories about death, destruction, and disease that we study, why is this so horrible?" Because women everywhere live this megillah everyday, still. Without exaggeration. Exploitation, patriarchal rulings, lewd dance parties, disguising yourself to fit the needs of a man, and feeling like you have to silence yourself in order to be liked...sounds like Purim, but that also sounds like me surviving college, or even more sadly, some of my jobs in my twenties.

How do we teach the Purim story, responsibly, to such young children? Of course, we do the developmentally responsible thing of revealing a little more each year as they get older, until we feel like the child can handle the whole truth of each part of the story. But by the time I learned the full truth about Vashti - that she wasn't just "ugly" and that's why the king got rid of her, or I learned the full truth about Esther - she really played up the king, or I learned the truth about Ahasuerus - he was a disgusting drunk who was self-absorbed, no where near a Disney prince...by the time I learned about all these truths I was already experiencing a world that was depositing and withdrawing on women's bodies all the time.

Purim is a time of vast differences, good versus evil, funny versus serious, pretty versus ugly. So go into conversations in the spirit of the holiday - speak to the light heartedness of the celebration, but ease them into some of the 'hard truths' - they'll thank you later for your honesty. Maybe they'll break through the patriarchy sooner than I was able to. Maybe they will laugh, and walk around the insult in the hallway,

knowing that it's never the foolish man who makes the story. It's always a queen, with her head held high.

For more learning on Purim, go to <https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/vashti-esther-a-feminist-perspective/>

Love you all, Carly

## **Purim *Misloach Manot* Project**

What a hearty response we've had to our Purim fund raiser! For those who participated, you've performed two Purim Mitzvot: the sending portions of sweets to friends and making charitable contributions to those in need. It's also been a wonderful community building program, enabling us to welcome new members and reach out to people we've not been able to see during these last two years.

Thank you to committee members Linda Caplan, Roberta Glass, Michelle Grossman, Rebecca Wilansky and Sue Massicot as well as all the volunteers who have agreed to package and deliver all the goodie bags.

Sandra Beckman, Chair

## **ADATH ISRAEL MATZAH FUND**

### **PASSOVER – A CHARITABLE TIME**

Your donation to The "Matzah Fund" assists those in our community without the resources necessary to make Passover a reality. Distribution priority is given to Adath Israel congregants with secondary distribution to other Jewish persons. Any funds in excess of need will be donated to Jewish charities for Passover allocation.

This Fund is self-liquidating, that is, all contributions will be allocated at Passover time with no continuing balance. Please be assured that all funds are allocated in the strictest of confidence.

Contribution checks should be made payable to Adath Israel (please put "Matzah Fund" on the memo line) and sent to the office by April 1, 2020, so that distribution can take place prior to Passover.

Leave your contribution with Joanna at the synagogue office or mail to:

Adath Israel

P.O. Box 337

Middletown, CT 06457

Finally, if you know of any families or persons that require some assistance, please contact Joanna at [office@adathisraelct.org](mailto:office@adathisraelct.org) or 860-346-4709.

# SACRED SOUND HEALING PROGRAM

Led by Cantor Re'ut Ben-Zeek  
& Rabbi Nelly

**March 5th, 7:00 pm**

**Free to members,  
others: \$18 suggested donation**

**Zoom info:  
Meeting ID 828 9717 8081  
Passcode 46691**

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## **ADATH ISRAEL DEDICATED FUNDS**

### **ADATH ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

(SOPHIE & JULIUS BARKER, EVELYN & ABRAHAM GROSSMAN, SARAH ZIETZ PIERSON, RABBI ALBERT & ROSALYN TROY, SYLVIA GROSS WASSERMAN, MAX CHEIKIN, BERNIE SEIDON, AND JEAN STERN ARON SCHOLARSHIPS)  
Provides scholarships to children of Adath Israel members attending an accredited college, university or school of higher learning

### **DR. ARTHUR & GLADYS WEISS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Provides scholarships to children of Adath Israel members attending Jewish camp, Jewish content special programs, and trips to Israel

### **BEIT-PALEY FUND**

Supports Torah repair

### **CHEVRA KADISHA**

Supports maintenance and enhancement of the cemetery

IN MEMORY OF

Seth Axelrod by Paulette Gewirtz

### **ARTHUR & EDYTHE DIRECTOR FAMILY FUND**

Supports music in the ritual, educational, and cultural gatherings at Adath Israel

IN MEMORY OF

Robin Sari Weiss by Carol & David Director & Family

Denise Levy by Carol & David Director & Family

Seth Axelrod by

Naomi & Richard Kamins

Anita Hennessey

### **ETERNAL LIGHT FUND**

Supports the general operation of Adath Israel

IN MEMORY OF

Seth Axelrod by Donna & Mark Finkelstein

### **HOWARD FELDMAN BEAUTIFICATION FUND**

Supports the beautification of our synagogue building and grounds and the Nester Center

IN HONOR OF

Ethel Peltz celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday by Linda & Jack Adler

REFUA SH'LEIMA

Teresa Shulman by Linda & Jack Adler

IN MEMORY OF

Denise Levy by Louise Feldman

Howard Shafferman by Louise Feldman

Seth Axelrod by Louise Feldman

Joan Gordon by Louise Feldman

### **LYNN BENNETT RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

Supports the upgrade of our religious school

IN MEMORY OF

Seth Axelrod by Phyllis Waldman

### **MAXINE THUMIM CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Provides scholarships to children of Adath Israel members attending Jewish camp or travelling to Israel

IN HONOR OF

Michelle & Rick Grossman in celebration of the engagement of their son, Jay by Eileen & Michael Daling

Laurie & Rabbi Marshal Press in celebration of the bar mitzvah of their grandson, Charlie by Eileen & Michael Daling

REFUA SH'LEIMA

Anna Elfenbaum by Eileen & Michael Daling

Teresa Shulman by Eileen & Michael Daling

IN MEMORY OF

Robin Sari Weiss by Eileen & Michael Daling

Denise Levy by Eileen & Michael Daling

### **MICHAEL FASSLER FUND**

Supports early childhood education at Adath Israel

### **MUSEUM FUND**

Supports purchases and maintenance of Adath Israel's museum

### **NATHAN OLSHIN SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE-FUND**

Supports annual scholar-in-residence program

IN MEMORY OF

Denise Levy by Myra & David Finkelstein

Julius Jonas, Julie Jonas nee Oppenheimer, and Adolf

Kahn by Jeffrey S. & Bobette Reed Kahn



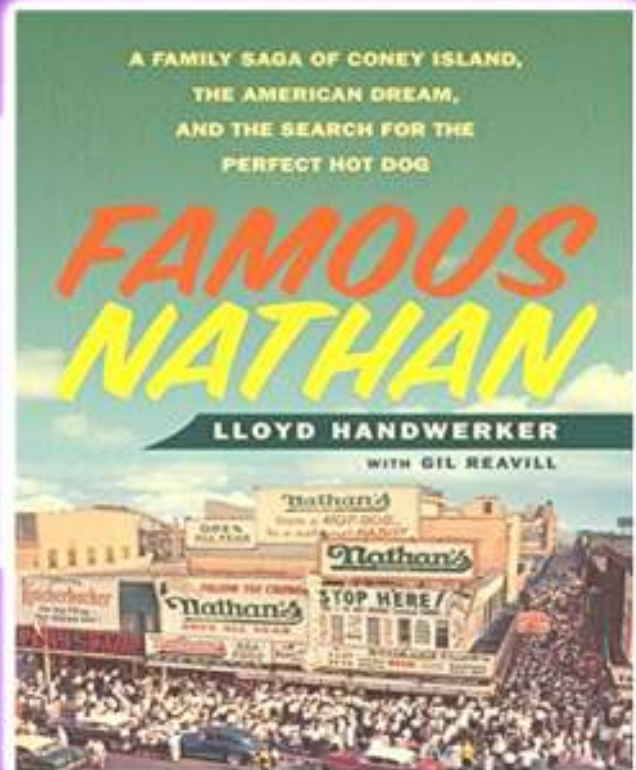


# Book Club

Join us via ZOOM  
March 8th, 7:00pm

**FAMOUS NATHAN**  
by LLoyd Handwerker

Meeting ID: 866 4652 0065  
Passcode 196174



Adath Israel Book Club  
is free and open to  
anyone who desires  
great discussions about  
fascinating books  
on Jewish topics

For more information, please contact  
Roberta Glass: [rjlevine610@gmail.com](mailto:rjlevine610@gmail.com)  
302-593-7581

or Holly Simon: [hfpsimon@icloud.com](mailto:hfpsimon@icloud.com)  
860-395-8989



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**RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Allows the rabbi to support individuals and causes in our community anonymously

IN MEMORY OF

Denise Levy by Naomi & Richard Kamins

**SANFORD BEIT MINYAN FUND**

Supports the creation and building of community over Kiddush

**SYNAGOGUE FUND**

Supports the general operation of Adath Israel

MAZAL TOV

Hyime Paley in celebration of his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday by

Richard Paley

Sara Paley

REFUA SHLEIMA

Michael Needle by Robin & Marty Levine

IN MEMORY OF

Seth Axelrod by Jeffrey S. & Bobette Reed Kahn

Raphael Rosado Medero by Sandra & Paul Beckman

Denise Levy by Mike, Ruth, Amy and Stacey Sigal

**YAHREZEIT FUND**

Supports the general operation of Adath Israel

Ruth & Morris Berlind by Allan Berlind

Samuel Bluman by Susan Mikulski

Leslie Bluman by Susan Mikulski

Pauline Gerstenblatt by Ines Gerstenblatt

Joseph Barker by Michael Barker

Rubin Segal by Claire Segal Sergi

Anne Seldin by Joan & Michael Needle

Matthew Niemeyer by Hinda Niemeyer

Harry & Edith Zaientz by Joe Zaientz

Fred Rubinstein by Norman Shulkin

Rose M Lief by Anne Willis

Isaac Stoller by Sandra & Paul Beckman

Benjamin Pollack by Ruth Kahn

Adele & Jerry Wettenstein by Barbara Sequenzia

Charles A. Wagner by Vida & Irving Wagner

Ruthanne Wagner by Vida & Irving Wagner

Joseph Wagner by Vida & Irving Wagner

Dale Bauer by Shari L. Turner

Zeddie Handler by Leslie Handler-Stern

Julius Jonas and Julie Jonas nee Oppenheimer by

Margaret N. Kahn

Lewis Wrubel and Muriel Wrubel by Gayle Wrubel & Hank Winkler

Carolyn Magram by Gayle Wrubel & Hank Winkler

Jules Abraham Grossman by Dahlia Grossman

Ethel Edelberg Segal by Claire Segal Sergi

Mamie Melton by Lee Resnick

Ruth Friedman by Larry Friedman

Ida Sadinsky by Marilyn Wolicki

Jacob Weiss by James H. Weiss

Gussie Shapiro & Ann Shapiro by Ernest Shapiro

**CELEBRATE JEWISH LIFE  
THROUGH PRAYER**

All services are in-person & via Zoom

**Morning Minyan**

Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM

1st Wednesday of the month, 7:00 AM

Sunday, 9:00 AM

Zoom Info

Meeting ID: 863 5646 9422 Passcode: 679552

**Shabbat Services**

Friday, 7:00 PM

Monthly Pray-Eat-Sing Services, 6:00 PM

Saturday, 9:30 AM

Zoom Info

Meeting ID: 815 6727 3870 Passcode: 474612

All prayer services at Adath Israel are public events, open to the community as a whole. Members, guests, and other religious seekers who desire the warmth of Jewish prayer and the fellowship of being together are always welcome.

**KOLOT DUE DATES**

<b><u>Kolot Issue</u></b>	<b><u>Article Due Date</u></b>
April	3/7
May	4/11
June	5/9



# Adath Israel

*Celebrate Jewish Life*

## SHABBAT L'CHOL ADAT

MARCH 12TH, 9:30 AM

## SHABBAT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

[WWW.ADATHISRAELCT.ORG](http://WWW.ADATHISRAELCT.ORG)



## TIKKUN OLAM AT ADATH ISRAEL HARRIET THIELA

*by Sam Bauer*



There is someone in every institution who does the quiet work of simply showing up when needed. Harriet Thiel has been that person for Adath Israel for decades, but I suspect that she has been that person for everyone in her life long before she ever joined us. I would like to take this opportunity and this Tikkun Olam

article to thank her for all that she's done for this community.

I have many long-lasting memories from my time at Adath Israel, especially from my childhood. Some of them include dressing up for Purim, lighting Hannukah candles at the community lighting event, or going to Friday night services when I really didn't want to. But at the end of every evening service, when it came time to thank members of the community, Harriet's name was always on the list. It created a very distinct impression on me, so much so that it became a central part of the proceedings. In my head it was not a proper Shabbat service if Harriet was not on the thank you list. In fact, she and my mother would often leave services halfway through to check on dinner and wouldn't reemerge from the kitchen until services were over. I would eat after, not considering the hours put into shopping or food preparation that Harriet and countless others gave every single week. What I did know, without a doubt, was that if I came up to her Harriet would always smile and ask after me.

There will always be a mitzvah in this kind of service. But perhaps this is extra special, because in another institution this "invisible" work might have gone unappreciated. After all, why should anyone take notice of an expected service, even one done competently and correctly? We do, because we recognize that our community functions because of kind people willing to offer their time and expertise. But I had mentioned before that Harriet had not been able to attend services fully because she was helping in the kitchen. While this appears to present somewhat of a problem because the Torah clearly states that you

are not supposed to be working during the Sabbath, I would argue that because Harriet missed services so that others would not have to, this is a greater mitzvah. To give up your spiritual time so that others might participate instead. Harriet will always be the embodiment of Leviticus 19:18 "To love other Jews", and I am glad she and her family are a part of our community.



## Compassionate Care Aka Bikur Cholim Committee

A core value of our Congregation is to provide care to our community.

This care often includes pastoral visits but our scope is much broader.

We can provide visits, calls, cards, transportation, shopping and food assistance, and, often more, when we know of the needs. We try to provide emotional support where helpful and connections for those who are isolated by whatever circumstances (alone at home, at a medical facility or nursing home). We do this confidentially and without cost or obligation.

We need your help to identify those who need assistance that we do not know about and the best way to contact them. Please reach out to us with as much information as you can share in confidence so that we can reach out and fulfill our desire to help those in need in our community.

For the time being, Michelle Grossman has agreed to be the contact person for Compassionate Care. She can be reached at **203-558-4937** or [rickandmichelle360@gmail.com](mailto:rickandmichelle360@gmail.com).

Help Us Help You!

THE COMPASSIONATE CARE COMMITTEE



**SAVE THE DATES!**

**MEGILLAH  
READING**

**MARCH 16**

**PURIM  
CARNIVAL**



**FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

**MARCH 20**

**MORE  
INFO  
SOON!**

**WWW.ADATHISRAELCT.ORG**



## **IT'S NEWS**

### **B'RUCHIM HABA'IM! WELCOME to our newest members**

Marty Paisner & Barbara Cotton

### **MAZAL TOV!**

Laurie & Rabbi Marshal Press in celebration of the bar mitzvah of their grandson, Charlie Hyime Paley on recently celebrating his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday!

Debbie & David Kaye on the birth of their grandson, Tyler Zachary Rosin

Linda & Steven Small on the wedding of their daughter, Sherry

### **TODAH RABAH**

Eva Bardwell for laying out Kolot  
Sharon Slossberg for assembling & mailing Kolot  
Sharon Slossberg for returning bottles  
Stephanie Meadow for taking care of our eNews and blasts

Sam Bauer for assembling yahrtzeit letters  
Harriet, Marcey, Aaron Thiela for all their grocery shopping & cooking  
For always lending a hand whenever needed: Sam Bauer, Rob Goldstein, Richard Kamins, Eileen Daling, Michael Daling, Aaron Thiela, Jonathan Shapiro

### **"Where there is no food there is no Torah"**

#### **Sponsoring a Kiddush**

Bern Padawer – as encouragement for in-person Shabbat attendance

### **IN MEMORY OF**

Reva Paley by Mark & Luanne Paley & children

### **SPEEDY RECOVERY**

We'd like to wish a "Refua Shleima" to the following: Shana Adams, Katrina Axelrod, Bernie Fabian, Sy Feldman, Paula Goldstein, Mark Itkin, Hal Kaplan, Jean Lawrence, Michael Needle, Hyime Paley, Irv Pincus, David Schwarz, Teresa Shulman, Joe Zaiantz, Fred Zierler, and Risa Zierler.



## **MAZAL TOV!!!**



Sherry (Small) Aiudi and Brandon Aiudi were wed on December 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **MAY GOD GIVE COMFORT TO**

Deepest sympathies to  
Peter Robinson on the recent death of his mother, Sondra Robinson z"l  
Steven Weiss & Bruce Weiss on the recent death of their sister, Robin Sari Weiss z"l

### **IN MEMORIAM**

Our sincerest condolences are extended to the families of  
Seth Axelrod z"l who came to his eternal rest on January 25 (23 shevat)  
Denise Levy z"l who came to her eternal rest on February 1 (30 shevat)

May the bereaved find comfort in God's love and our community's support.



The Anja Rosenberg Kosher Food Pantry

# PASSOVER FOOD DRIVE

All items  
Kosher for  
Passover

Your donation of Kosher for Passover items will ensure a meaningful celebration of Passover for food pantry clients who observe.

DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS

## MARCH 13-27

WHERE: 333A BLOOMFIELD AVENUE  
WEST HARTFORD, CT 06117

WHEN: MONDAY - FRIDAY 9AM - 4PM

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Matzo Ball Soup Mix  
Canned Tuna  
Broth  
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Canned Vegetables  
Jam  
Borscht & Gefilte Fish  
*also*  
Cleaning Supplies,  
Cereal, Canned Beans,  
Canned Fruit

For more information, call 860-236-1927 x7125.







# **Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly**

## **via Zoom**

**Every Wednesday - 10:30 AM**

**Zoom ID 837 9879 1910, Passcode 963942**

**Every Thursday - 6:00 PM**

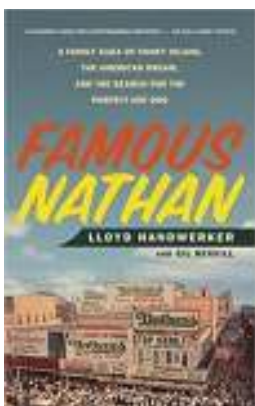
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## ADATH ISRAEL BOOK GROUP

### March to the Beat of Your Booklist

Many thanks to Jodi Gendrich for recommending and leading the discussion of *The Jew Store* by Stella Suberman. What an interesting read and discussion about the Bronson family who pursued the American Dream by opening a dry goods store in early twentieth century Tennessee! Thanks to all who participated and shared their own experiences too!

The book selected for our **March 8<sup>th</sup> Zoom** meeting is *Famous Nathan* by Lloyd Handwerker.

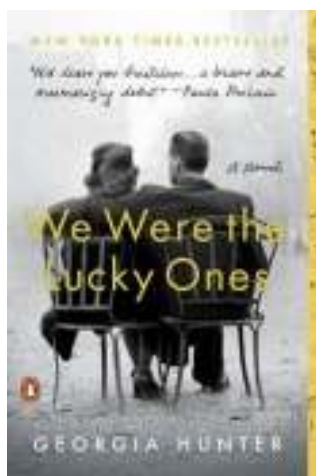


This book was written by his own grandson and is the “Family Saga of Coney Island, the American Dream, and the Search for the Perfect Hot Dog.” It is the story of the man who traveled from Eastern Europe to the Lower East Side, the man who was an immigrant and became an American icon. Looks like a fun read! Come join the discussion as we fondly remember Nathan’s famous hot dogs!

Meeting ID: **886 4652 0065**

Passcode: **196174**

April’s selection is  
*We Were The Lucky Ones*  
by Georgia Hunter, an author from Connecticut. Stay tuned for further details in next month’s Kolot.



Happy Reading!

ROBERTA and HOLLY

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302-593-7581 (cell)  
Holly Simon, [hfpsimon@icloud.com](mailto:hfpsimon@icloud.com), 860-395-8989

## MARCH



Teresa and David Shulman  
Linda and Allen Caplan



Andy Bauer  
Herb Bichunsky  
David Willis  
Susan Massicott  
Mark Kaplan  
Ben Eisner  
Ernest Ferrebee  
Re'ut Ben-Zeev  
Laurie Schwarz  
Michael Leipziger  
David Goodman  
Raisa Filler  
Shari Turner  
Dorothy Kaplan  
Jan Weiss  
Joan Needle  
Bern Padawer  
Katrina Axelrod  
Darcy Searle  
Jonathan Shapiro  
Jenna Dickes  
Melanie Login  
Denis Caron  
Isla Bonito



## Office Hours

Monday: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Tuesday: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Thursday: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Friday: 7:30 a.m.-Noon

The office is closed weekends, legal holidays, and Jewish holy days.

**Wishing you good health.**

## **ADATH ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Scholarship Committee of Adath Israel is pleased to announce that the Application Forms and Rules and Regulation Guidelines for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Adath Israel Post Secondary School Scholarships are available either in the KOLOT, or from the synagogue office. Students who are seniors in high through graduate school, and whose family meets the membership requirements are encouraged to apply.

All questions concerning the application process should be directed to Fred Zierler, Committee Chair at (203) 631-9567 or via email, [fzierler@gmail.com](mailto:fzierler@gmail.com). Completed applications should be returned to Congregation Adath Israel as indicated in the regulation form by May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022.



### **IF YOU OR A LOVED ONE ARE IN THE HOSPITAL OR OTHER HEALTH CARE FACILITY**

Patient privacy laws prohibit the hospitals & other healthcare facilities from notifying Adath Israel if you are admitted unless you specifically request it. Upon admission, please list Judaism as your religion and request spiritual care or a visit from the chaplain. The hospital chaplain will contact the synagogue. If you do not wish to go through the hospital, please contact the synagogue directly if you or a loved one would like a pastoral visit.

## **Jewish Community Foundation Kicks Off Year-long 50th Anniversary Celebration with Mosaic Art Project**



 **JEWISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
OF GREATER HARTFORD**  
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS: 1972-2022

## **Community Members Invited to Join March 30 – April 6 at the Mandell JCC**

Please join the kick off of the Jewish Community Foundation's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration by participating in the Mosaic Art Project, March 30 – April 6, at the Mandell JCC! Be a part of creating something special, a mosaic artwork crafted — piece by piece — by you, your family and friends, and hundreds of community members.

Everyone will build this unique piece of art together. The final mosaic will be unveiled later this year and permanently displayed at the JCC. It's the Foundation's gift to our community crafted with your help. Individuals and groups can sign up at [JCF 50th Anniversary Mosaic Project — Signup Sheet | SignUp.com](https://www.jcfhartford.org/50th-anniversary-mosaic-project-signup-sheet). For questions, contact Madison Leighty at [mleighty@jcfhartford.org](mailto:mleighty@jcfhartford.org).





# Adath Israel

*Celebrate Jewish Life*

Join us for services via Zoom by using the information below or go to [adathisraelct.org](http://adathisraelct.org) & click on “How to Join Services via Zoom”



## Daily Minyan:

Monday-Friday 8 a.m.

Sunday 9 a.m.

New Zoom Link for ALL Daily Minyan Services

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86356469422?pwd=VVR0TWlxZDZsbUNsRTlvYm9qSEROdz09>

Dial by your location

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 863 5646 9422

Passcode: 679552

## Shabbat Services

Friday 7 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Services, Saturday 9:30 a.m.

New Zoom Link for both Friday & Saturday Shabbat Services

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81567273870?pwd=SkIDUEF0R2FRQ1BrUXNmd3ZocFpndz09>

Dial by your location

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Meeting ID: 815 6727 3870

Passcode: 474612





# SHABBAT MUSIKAH RETREAT

## COMMUNITY IN SONG - HAVDALAH IN MOVEMENT

with Cantor Re'ut Ben-Zeev

### APRIL 1ST & 2ND

**MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW SOON!**





# COMMUNITY KLEZMER PROGRAM EZEKIEL'S WHEELS KLEZMER BAND



DETAILS COMING SOON!





# march 2022

## adar I/adar II

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
	*Candle lighting times for Middletown, CT	1 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Board Mtg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>28 adar I</b>	2 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7 6 p.m. Golf Comm.  <b>29 adar I</b>	3 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>Rosh Chodesh 30 adar I</b>	4 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Pray-Eat-Sing Shabbat Evening Service & Dinner  *5:26 p.m. <b>Rosh Chodesh 1 adar II</b>	5 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service 7 p.m. Sound Healing Service, Zoom  <i>Pekude</i> <b>2 adar II</b>
6 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School 9:15 a.m. Adult Hebrew  <b>3 adar II</b>	7 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>4 adar II</b>	8 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club, Zoom 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>5 adar II</b>	9 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7  <b>6 adar II</b>	10 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>7 adar II</b>	11 7 pm Shabbat Evening Service  *5:34 p.m. <b>8 adar II</b>	12 9:30 am Shabbat L'chol Adat Morning Service  <i>Vayikra</i> <b>Shabbat Zachor 9 adar II</b>
13 CLOCKS CHANGE 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School 9:15 a.m. Adult Hebrew  <b>10 adar II</b>	14 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>11 adar II</b>	15 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>12 adar II</b>	16 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7 5 p.m. Dinner 5:45 p.m. Skits 6:30 p.m. Megillah Reading & Costume Contest  <b>Fast of Esther Megillah Reading 13 adar II</b>	17 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>Purim 14 adar II</b>	18 7 pm Shabbat Evening Service  *6:42 p.m. <b>Shushan Purim 15 adar II</b>	19 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Tzav</i> <b>16 adar II</b>
20 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School 10 a.m. Purim Carnival  <b>17 adar II</b>	21 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>18 adar II</b>	22 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>19 adar II</b>	23 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7  <b>20 adar II</b>	24 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>21 adar II</b>	25 7 pm Shabbat Evening Service  *6:50 p.m. <b>22 adar II</b>	26 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service Ethan Olczak Bar Mitzvah  <i>Shemini</i> <b>Shabbat Parah 23 adar II</b>
27 9 am Religious School 9:15 a.m. Adult Hebrew 9:30 a.m. Jewish War Veterans Brunch  <b>24 adar II</b>	28 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>25 adar II</b>	29 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>26 adar II</b>	30 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7  <b>27 adar II</b>	31 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>28 adar II</b>	Please visit our Website: <a href="http://www.adathisraelct.org">www.adathisraelct.org</a> for the latest information & updates	



# april 2022

## adar II/nisan

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	Friday	saturday
*Candle lighting times for Middletown, CT					1 8 a.m. Minyan Shabbat Musikah Retreat with Cantor Re'ut Ben-Zeev 6 p.m. Pray-Eat-Sing Shabbat Evening Service	2 Shabbat Musikah Retreat with Cantor Re'ut Ben-Zeev 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service 8 p.m. Havdalah Service  <i>Tazria</i> <b>Shabbat Hachodesh Rosh Chodesh 1 nisan</b>
3 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School 9:15 a.m. Adult Hebrew 7 p.m. Sacred Sound Healing, Zoom  <b>2 nisan</b>	4 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>3 nisan</b>	5 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Board Mtg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>4 nisan</b>	6 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7  <b>5 nisan</b>	7 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>6 nisan</b>	8 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>*7:05 p.m. 7 nisan</b>	9 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <i>Metzora</i> <b>Shabbat Hagadol 8 nisan</b>
10 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School 9:15 a.m. Adult Hebrew  <b>9 nisan</b>	11 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>10 nisan</b>	12 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Book Club, Zoom 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>11 nisan</b>	13 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7 4-7 p.m. Community Klezmer Program— Ezekiel's Wheels  <b>12 nisan</b>	14 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>Search for Chametz 13 nisan</b>	15 7 a.m. Siyyum & Minyan No Evening Service  <b>*7:13 p.m. 1st Seder 14 nisan</b>	16 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Festival Morning Service  <b>*8:16 p.m. Passover I 15 nisan</b>
17 No Religious School or Adult Hebrew 9 a.m. Festival Morning Service 5:30 p.m. Community Seder  <b>Passover II 16 nisan</b>	18 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>Intermediate Day 17 nisan</b>	19 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>Intermediate Day 18 nisan</b>	20 No Religious School 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>Intermediate Day 19 nisan</b>	21 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>*7:19 p.m. Intermediate Day 20 nisan</b>	22 <b>Office Closed</b> 8 a.m. Festival Morning Service 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>*7:20 p.m. Passover VII 21 nisan</b>	23 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Festival Morning Service  <b>Passover VIII Yizkor 22 nisan</b>
24 9 a.m. Minyan 9 a.m. Religious School 9:15 a.m. Adult Hebrew 9:30 a.m. JWV Brunch  <b>23 nisan</b>	25 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>24 nisan</b>	26 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7:30 p.m. Al Anon  <b>25 nisan</b>	27 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom 4 p.m. Religious School, Grades 3-7  <b>26 nisan</b>	28 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  <b>27 nisan</b>	29 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service  <b>*7:28 p.m. 28 nisan</b>	30 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service  <b>Acharei Mot 29 nisan</b>





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## **Dr. Arthur and Gladys Weiss Scholarship Application**

Dr. Arthur Weiss, a Past President of Temple B'nai Abraham, and his wife Gladys were long-time, extremely active, and dedicated members of Temple B'nai Abraham. They established this scholarship to encourage Jewish youth to participate in Jewish activities such as camps, Jewish content special programs, and trips to Israel. Individuals may contribute to this fund to help perpetuate the memory and interest of the Weiss's.

Open to Jewish children elementary school age through high school whose parent(s)/guardian(s) are members in good standing of Adath Israel, this scholarship award is based on applicant's involvement in Congregation activities, the Jewish nature/content of the program, and financial need.

### **Complete and return to Adath Israel by April 30, 2022**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

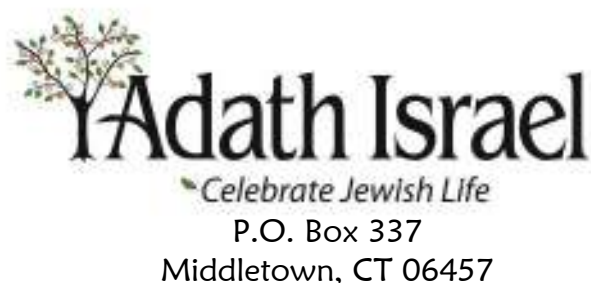
Number of years your parent(s)/guardian(s) have been members of Temple B'nai Abraham/Adath Israel \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please respond to the following:

A. Identify the program for which you are requesting a scholarship. Explain the Jewish content of the program (printed literature and/or a website link is required).

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B. Why did you choose this program, and what do you hope to gain from attending it (both Jewish and otherwise)?



**Dr. Arthur and Gladys Weiss Scholarship Application (cont.)**

C. What is the length and total cost of the program? (Do not include transportation, clothing, personal items, etc.)

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D. If you are 16 years or older, please answer: How much of the total cost are you planning to contribute? How are you going to earn it?

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E. Tell us about your involvement in recent Congregation activities and when the activities took place – college students, please specify your Congregation activities and Jewish activities you are engaged in while in college.

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F. Discuss any additional thoughts you have as to why you should be awarded a Weiss Scholarship.

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Signature

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Date



## Thumim Scholarship Funded by Mark and Luanne Paley An Investment in our Jewish Future

The Thumim Scholarship is pleased to announce camp scholarships are available again this year to Adath Israel families whose children will attend Jewish camp or travel to Israel. Multiple studies show the Jewish camp experience provides long term positive effects on Jewish identity and other life choices. During their lifetime, the Thumim's, longtime members of Adath Israel, provided funds for these camp scholarships. Since their deaths, the camp scholarships have relied on individual donations, largely raised in honor of our Volunteer(s) of the Year. Last year and going forward into the future, Mark and Luanne Paley have committed to help fund these scholarships with a significant donation. Individual donors are still needed to maximize the number of families this scholarship can assist. Please consider donating to the Thumim Scholarship throughout the year whenever you send a card, observe a yahrtzeit, celebrate a life cycle event or to honor the Volunteer(s) this year in the fall.

### THE THUMIM SCHOLARSHIP FUNDED BY MARK AND LUANNE PALEY APPLICATION

Please note: only members current in their obligations to the synagogue are eligible to receive scholarship.

To be considered for a scholarship, please complete the application below and return it to the Synagogue office by April 13, 2022. Awards are based on the number of applications and funds available. Camps/Israel financial statements are required with this application to process the request.

CHILD'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CAMP: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

DATES OF ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_

COST OF CAMP: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT OF CAMP NOT COVERED BY OTHER STIPENDS: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE ATTACH COPY OF BILLING STATEMENT.

REMINDER!! SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE BY APRIL 13, 2022.

## ADATH ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

SOPHIE & JULIUS BARKER, EVELYN & ABRAHAM GROSSMAN, SARAH ZIETZ PIERSON,  
RABBI ALBERT & ROSALYN TROY, SYLVIA GROSS WASSERMAN, MAX CHEIKIN,  
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### RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING ALL POST SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CHILDREN OF CONGREGATION ADATH ISRAEL MEMBERS

1. The following considerations will guide the Committee in selection of recipients:
  - A. **Need**
  - B. **Scholastic achievement** - submit High School or College transcript and a **current** letter of recommendation from a school administrator, advisor, counselor, etc.
  - C. **Character** – present a **current** letter of reference from acquaintance or employer other than member of family or this committee (not education related).
  - D. **Extra-curricular activities** – list on application form your activities and specific involvement beyond just being a member both in the general and Jewish community at home and at school.
  - E. **Essay** - discuss your intended course of study (major) and how you plan to apply it to your future endeavors.
2. Applicant must be accepted and attend an accredited college, university, or school of higher learning.
3. Parent/Guardian must be a member in good standing of Congregation Adath Israel for a minimum of three consecutive years, including prior membership at Temple B'nai Abraham, prior to the date of application.
4. Scholarship applications **must** be accompanied by the first page of each parent's/guardian's Federal income tax form, if applicant is claimed as a dependent; or first page of applicant's Federal 1040 if not a dependent.
5. Completed applications should be postmarked or delivered to Congregation Adath Israel by May 17, 2022.

Attention: Scholarship Committee Chair  
Congregation Adath Israel  
PO Box 337  
Middletown, CT 06457

6. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
7. If you have any questions, please contact Fred Zierler, Committee Chair, at (203) 631-9567 or [fzierler@gmail.com](mailto:fzierler@gmail.com).

Committee: Fred Zierler, Chair  
Marc Glass, Michelle Grossman, Myra Finkelstein, Risa Zierler

## ADATH ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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BERNIE AND JEAN STERN ARON SCHOLARSHIPS

### APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE/PREFERRED # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

NAME PARENT/GUARDIAN 1 \_\_\_\_\_

NAME PARENT/GUARDIAN 2 \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER DEPENDENT CHILDREN IN FAMILY/ PROVIDE NAME(S) AND AGE(S)

CHILD 1 \_\_\_\_\_

CHILD 2 \_\_\_\_\_

CHILD 3 \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE /UNIVERSITY YOU ARE ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_

ESTIMATED COST OF ONE YEAR AT YOUR SCHOOL (ROOM, BOARD, TUITION, MISC)

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STATE SPECIFICALLY HOW YOU PLAN TO MEET THIS COST (STATE ALL SOURCES AND AMOUNTS. INCLUDE YOUR PERSONAL MONIES AND SOURCE).



**SINCE FINANCIAL NEED IS ONE OF THE FACTORS CONSIDERED IN CHOOSING A RECIPIENT, THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE NEEDS TO HAVE CERTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF EACH APPLICANT'S FAMILY.**

**ALL INCOME TAX INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.**

**GROSS INCOME PARENT/GUARDIAN 1 \_\_\_\_\_**

**GROSS INCOME PARENT/GUARDIAN 2 \_\_\_\_\_**

**PARENT/GUARDIAN 1—ESTIMATE POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL REVENUE FROM OTHER SOURCES (I.E. SAVINGS. DIVIDENDS, ETC.) \_\_\_\_\_**

**PARENT/GUARDIAN 2—ESTIMATE POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL REVENUE FROM OTHER SOURCES (I.E. SAVINGS. DIVIDENDS, ETC.) \_\_\_\_\_**

**LIST ANY UNUSUAL EXPENSES THAT YOUR FAMILY HAS THAT MIGHT DECREASE THE AMOUNT OF MONEY AVAILABLE FOR COLLEGE (OTHER CHILDREN IN COLLEGE, SUPPORT PAYMENTS, MEDICAL EXPENSES)**

**PROVIDE YOUR PERSONAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO COLLEGE FOR THE COMING YEAR \_\_\_\_\_**

**PROVIDE NAMES OF SCHOLARSHIP(S) YOU HAVE BEEN AWARDED, AND THE AMOUNT(S) FOR THE COMING ACADEMIC YEAR**

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**TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY AVAILABLE FOR COLLEGE/ UNIVERSITY FOR THE COMING YEAR FROM ALL SOURCES ABOVE**

**EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES *DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS* ( LIST EACH AND EXPLAIN YOUR INVOLVMENT BEYOND JUST BEING A MEMBER) ADDITIONAL PAGES MAY BE ATTACHED**

**SCHOOL COMMUNITY \_\_\_\_\_**

**JEWISH COMMUNITY \_\_\_\_\_**

**HOME COMMUNITY \_\_\_\_\_**

***COMPOSE AND SUBMIT ESSAY OF NOT MORE THAN 500 WORDS CONCERNING YOUR EDUCATIONAL GOALS.***





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